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We wish the book had been couched in better English. For instance, why should we meet five times on one page the barbarism "missionarize"? The proof-reading is poorly done, errors are frequent. Apart from this the presswork is good and the binding neat.

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### LITERARY NOTES.

THE last addition to "The Religion of Science Library" is *Chinese Philosophy*, by Paul Carus (Chicago: Open Court Publishing Co.; \$0.25). In it is given in brief form the outlines of the chief philosophies, and it is illustrated with symbolical cuts.

MESSRS. HENRY HOLT & CO. will publish at once *A Primer of the Bible*, by Professor W. H. Bennett, M.A., of Hackney College, London, which is said to be a very compact and helpful manual for those who wish to study the Bible in the light of contemporary criticism.

WE have received from Longmans, Green & Co. a copy of the new issue of the Abridged Life of Jesus, by Alfred Edersheim (*Jesus the Messiah*; \$1). The volume is too well known, even in shorter form, to require special discussion, but attention may be very well called to it once more.

IN *Hints on Bible Study*, John D. Wattles & Co. (Philadelphia, Pa.; \$0.75) have gathered together in a little book a series of papers which have appeared occasionally during recent years in the *Sunday School Times*. These papers are by some of the most prominent of Bible scholars and should be in the hands of every Sunday-school teacher. They are naturally short and contain a good deal of valuable advice.

IN the new volume of "The Theological Educator," *The Ritschlian Theology and the Evangelical Faith* (New York: Thomas Whittaker; \$0.75), Professor Orr has given a characteristically lucid criticism of the various Ritschlian positions in their relation to evangelical theology. He is not by any means over-friendly to the newer thought, but holds himself severely to as impartial a view as possible. While at times it may be he hardly gives the school the credit for all that it is worth, it must be said that there is no other presentation of the matter in English so well done or readable.

IN the *Personal Friendships of Jesus* Dr. J. R. Miller (New York : Crowell & Co.; \$1) has given a series of studies along lines well indicated by the title of the volume. The work has the general character possessed by other works of Dr. Miller, and is marked by deep sympathy with the thought and life of Jesus. While not especially scholarly, it is destined to be of service as homiletic reading.

WE have received from John D. Wattles & Co. *A Chart of Christ's Journeying*, prepared by C. E. Arnold. It is based upon Professor Riddle's outline, *Harmony of the Gospels*. It is arranged in three main columns. In the middle is a description of events happening during a given period, on the right of which are the special references, and on the left four maps in which are indicated the journeyings of Jesus during each of the four periods of his life. This volume may be of some value, but the maps are thoroughly incorrect in places, not only in that they take Jesus to such places as the cities of Tyre and Sidon, but also in that they entirely neglect the roads and paths over which Jesus went.

THE first volume in the New Testament series of "The Modern Reader's Bible" by Professor Moulton (Macmillan Co.; \$0.50) contains Matthew, Mark, and the general epistles. In the arrangement of the epistles it is hardly possible for Professor Moulton to do more than to reparagraph, and to print the quotations in italics, although in the case of the epistle of James, which he treats as a form of wisdom literature, he is able to give its contents something of the form with which he has familiarized us in his treatment of the Old Testament. His method is also especially adapted to those portions of Matthew which deal with the teachings of Jesus. Here his arrangement is sometimes very suggestive, although it might have been well to have set forth more explicitly the occasional strophæic form of Jesus' thought.

THE latest volume of "The International Theological Library" is that of Professor A. V. G. Allen, *Christian Institutions* (New York : Charles Scribner & Sons; \$2.50, *net*). Were it not that this volume treats of matters which are largely outside of the province of the BIBLICAL WORLD, it would deserve the most careful review. It is written with characteristic literary finish, and contains many sections well worth quoting simply for their literary excellence. It has in addition a scholarly chapter on presbyters, bishops, and deacons, and another upon the apostles, prophets, and teachers. Perhaps the most valuable